ALL TOBACCO MARKETS TAKING LONG HOLIDAY

No Sales This Week-Heavy Breaks in All Bright Marts All of Last Week.

SUN-CURED ACTIVE IN CITY

Farmville Paying Advanced Prices for Dark Shipping Leaf-Danville Increased Its Average-South Boston Follows Suit.

The loose leaf tobacco market closed for the long Christmas holiday on Priday, and sales will not be resumed until January 7. The receipts on the Richmond market last week, consisting almost entirely of sun-curred leaf, amounted to 600,000 pounds. The market was quite active, and sales were readily made at slightly additional plant, to cost \$125,000, as leafly the following of the readily made at slightly additional plant, to cost \$125,000, as leafly the following of the readily made at slightly additional plant, to cost \$125,000, as leafly the following of the readily made at slightly additional plant, to cost \$125,000, as leafly the following of the readily made at slightly additional plant, to cost \$125,000, as leafly the following of the readily made at slightly additional plant, to cost \$125,000, as leafly the following of the following of

tendency in all of the bright markets of that section.

The reports from Winston-Salem and Reidsville, N. C., tell of very heavy receipts and very active markets. From Oxford and Henderson come similar reports. All the markets in the two States are taking the usual long drawn out Christmas holiday, and there will be no sales in any of them this week; that is, no auction sales.

Rig Averages at Danville.

DANVILLE, VA., December 21.—The sales of leaf tobacco for the three days of this week amounted to 1.478.-920 nounds for \$565.908.07, which is an average of \$38.26 per 100 pounds.

The sales for the month of December were 7.114.188 pounds for \$2.735.-203.09, which is an average of \$38.44.

The sales for the season from August to December, inclusive, amounted to 25.188.704 pounds, which sold for \$9.378.171.02. The average is \$35.81.

The sales for the month of December, 1917, were 4.410.875 pounds, at an average of \$32.74.

The sales for the 1917 crop season from August to December, inclusive, were 25.497.055 pounds, and the average was \$31.66.

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Sales were adjourned on the 18th instant, and will resume on January 7.

The market closed firm on all grades. It is estimated that about 60 to 65 per cent of the crop in this section has been marketed.

Enlarged Average at South Boston.
SOUTH BOSTON, VA., December 21.
—The sales of loose leaf tobacco on this market for the month of December amounted to 3.753.958 nounds, which brought an average of \$37.34 per 100 pounds. The sales this week were about \$90.000 pounds, and there being a larger sprinkling of the finer goods, the average was around \$33. The sales were very heavy on Wednesday and blocked, the overflow being sold early Thursday, when the market closed for the holidays. The next sales will be on January 7.

Upward Tendency at Drakes Branch. DRAKES BRANCH, VA., December 21.—Sales of leaf tobacco on this market for this week totaled 275,000 pounds. Prices continue high and satisfactory to sellers. All tobacco in condition sold higher this week than at any time since the opening of the season, and there was an upward tendency each day. The warehouses will be closed until January 2.

Biggest for Years at Lynchburg.
LYNCHBURG. VA. December 21.—
The receipts of leaf tobacco this week
were the largest of any week of the
season, in tact, of any week in several years, being 1.120,500 pounds, running the receipts for this tobacco season up to 7.35,500 pounds, which is
2.630,500 pounds more than for the
same period of last season.

Notwithstanding the crowded condition of the market the demand for all
grades of tobacco was never better,
and everything brought splendid prices,
making the average prices for the
week the highest of the season.

After to-day, sales were suspended
until Monday, January 8, 1919.

The market closed strong at quotetions below: Lugs-common, 514 to
\$17.50; good, \$17 to \$10, Leaf—Short,
\$17.50 to \$23.50; good, \$22 to \$28; dapple, \$26 to \$29; wrappers, \$2 to \$40.

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., December 21.

The part week has been a very busy one on the tobacco market. The rainy weather cut short the receipts Monday and Tuesday, while the latter part of the week they were heavy, totaling 1.320,000 pounds, at an average of \$35.91, making the total sold to December 20, 17.320,000 pounds, at an average of \$37.15.

The offerings for the first three days of the week were above the average in color and quality, while for the past two days the offerings have consisted largely of common nondescript tobacco and much of it rehandled shippers' and warehouse tobacco, which has sold more or less at a sacrifice owing to the condition of same.

Prices were well maintained throughout the week and on the better grades of leaf and cutters and all grades of wrappers higher than at any time during the season.

The sales closed for the holidays Good Sales at Rocky Mount. CKY MOUNT, N. C., December 21,

wrappers higher than at any time dur-ing the season.

The sales closed for the holidays yesterday and will reopen on Monday, January 6. It is estimated that the crop is more than two-thirds sold.

CHAMPION CORN MAKERS

James Bellwood and Sons, of Chester-field County, Win Leading Prizes at Big Show.

INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES ALL OVER THE SOUTHLAND CROP VALUE INCREASE

New Enterprises in All the Southern States—Foreign and Local Capital Getting Busy.

Winthrop College, at Rock Hill, S. C., plans big improvements next year. A \$100,000 dormitory is to be erected and a students' building, that will cost about as much, is to go up.

The Egan Cotton Mills, of Atlanta, Ga., have been incorporated with authorized capital put down at \$1,000,000, Bayard and W. B. Willingham, of Atlanta, and H. H. Tift, of Tifton, are the incorporators.

Money Called For by American Farm Products Largely More Than Doubled' in Three Years.

ACCURATE FIGURES OBTAINED

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The Bank of Gilbert, \$30,000_capital stock, has been organized at Gilbert, S. C. P. A. Smith is president.

The Culiman Canning Company has been organized with \$50,000 capital stock to establish a big fruit and vegetable cannery at Gadsden, Ala. A building to cost, with machinery to equip it, about \$30,000, is being constructed.

The Jackson Brewing Company of

The First Creek Oil Company has been incorporated at Cleburne, Tex., with \$100.000 capital stock.

John Holland, of Slemp, Ky., and associates, have purchased 700 acres of hard timber land along Big Leatherwood Creek, in Kentucky, and will install lumber and stave mills there early the coming year.

MUCH HIGHWAY BUILDING RIPE FOR WEST VIRGINIA

Nountain State Plans to Do Big Work Next Year in Making Per-manent Roads.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., December 21.—It is probable that the Mountain State will undertake more public highway work the coming year than the people ever before dreamed of, although it cannot be said that West Virginia has been larging behind its ough it cannot be said that West ates in this important work for the A. D. Williams, the State Road Com-

A. D. Williams, the State Road Commissioner, viewing the prospects for
highway work, gives out some interesting information concerning the
funds available. He says:

"Counting the allotment available
July 1, the State has \$531,000 to its
credit for the coming year's work in
its share of the Federal and appropriation. Anticipating the collection of
automobile taxes due July 1, 1919, the
State road fund for the coming year
will aggregate \$1,100,000, or a total
State and Federal aid of \$1,631,000.

"The class A. or main, county levies
leid by the various county courts aggregated \$1,955,000, and assuming that
\$2,000,000 will be levied for 1919, the
available county road fund for the coming year, including Federal, State and
county levies or appropriations, will
aggregate \$5,586,000.

"The class B funds laid by the county for district roads, counting the balance in the fund and the balance for
the coming year, will be about \$4,000.

"There has been a total of \$1,832.

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"There has been a total of \$18,033.
500 of county and district bonds voted in the State for road improvements. Of this amount, about \$9,500,000 remain unexpended.

"Additional bonds will be authorized, but the restrictions placed by the capital issues committee prevents the local authorities from taking any action until they feel the ban of that committee has been lifted or will be lifted so that they will not be required to spend a large amount of time and expense getting their approval."

Decided Activity at Parawille,
PARMVILLE, VA. December 21—
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\$450.000, with the view of enlarging the plant.

The Chowan Cooperage Corporation, of Norfolk, has increased capital stock from \$100.000 to \$300.000 and will next year greatly enlarge the plant.

The Virginia Railway and Power Company plans to build immediately the dam at the Appomattox River falls, near Petersburg, that was being planned when war work caused a suspension. This dam is to furnish water power for the hydro-electric plant to furnish power for Eastern Virginia, including Richmond.

Improving Carolina Canal System.
WASHINGTON, N. C., December 21,
—Extensive improvements are to be made in the canal system in Beaufort County next year. Bids will be opened January 3 by the commissioner of Broad Creek drainage district for the work of dredging, deepening and widening thirty-six miles of the canal system in that district, much of which is in Beaufort.

Sheeting Output Being Doubled.
TAYLORSVILLE, N. C., December 21.
—The Miller Manufacturing Company, of this place, has purchased 4,800 additional spindles for the big cotton mill here, and the same, with accompanying machinery, are being installed. This enlargement of facilities will nearly double the output of sheetings.

The Velvet Kind.
"Tis the best-You don't dony itThis very day you ought to try it."-

Physician Belleves a Genuine Remedy for the Distase Has Been Found. Itheuma, the wonderful rheumatism

remerly, new sold by all good drug-gists, gives quicker, and more, lasting relief than other remedies costing many times as much.

Rheuma acts with speed; it brings a fall tonic of Cod Liver Oil and Syrup of Hypophoephites just to ward off or. It antagonizes the poisons that in a few days the rlig! you have prayed for. It antagonizes the poisons that

At the recent annual meeting and exhibition of the Virginia torn frow ease agony and just in the joints and muscles and quickly the torturing soreness completely disappears.

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Some of Virginia's Leading Products Bringing More Than Three Times as Much as Previous Five Years' Average-Tobacco and Potatoes.

tion shows an amazing increase in the value of the farm crops of America during the last few years, the increase in value, of course, far exceeding the increase in quality.

INSIGHT INTO ENORMOUS INCREASE IN COST OF LIVING

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In a study of these figures is gotten an indication of the enormous increase in the cost of foodstuffs to the consumption. The total production of grain this year is 5,538,000,000 bushels as compared with 1917. The better quality of the congroup of this year, however, offset this decrease in quantity, so far as feeding value is concerned. But notwiths standing this decrease of 158,000,000 bushels as compared with standing this decrease of 158,000,000 bushels of grain, the value shows an increase of 378,800,000.

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WHOLE TOWN

Slogan in Akron, Home of Auto Tires, Is: "When You See an

Auto Tire Remember, Man Who Made It Praises

Hypo-Cod."

Out in Akron, Ohio, where prac-

tically all the automobile tires in the world are made, so many men in the rubber plants there praise Hypo-Cod

to the sky as a tenic, winter remedy and preventive for "flu," la grippe, coughs, colds and blood troubles and

stomach troubles of fall and winter, the name Hypo-Cod is a household word. Recently nearly a whole page of tire-maker testimonials appeared in the big Akron papers, and so en-

thusiastic were they that the slogan was: "Whenever you see an automobile tire remember—the man who made that tire praises Hypo-Cod."

The fourteen drug stores of the Day

Drug Company there distributed thou

sands—the writer does not know ex-actly how many—in a single month. In fact, all over Ohio Hypo-Cod is just as "standard" and is used just as generally as Cascarets among kids.

The reason for its popularity is that first of all nearly every one takes

PRAISES I

THE FARMERS' GREAT GAINS
It is when one compares the production and the value of the present year with the average for the five-year period from 1911 to and including 1915 that a fairer conception of the enormous increase in prices is gained. The corn crop of the present year, for instance, is only 4,966,000 bushels larger than the average of the five-year period, 1911-1915. But the value of this year's crop exceeds by \$2,212,000,000 the average value of the corn crop of the five-year period mentioned.

Taking twenty-two of the leading crops that flourish in the South, the value of which has been estimated on the basis of the latest available government prices, as of November 1 and earlier, as compared with the final returns of preceding years on December 1, the figures show that these crops this year throughout the country should have a total value of \$12,382,-660,600 as compared with \$11,663,600,-600 last year, or a gain of \$773,159,000, 1t should be understood that these are not the final figures, which doubtless will vary in some cases quite largely from these estimates. More than likely they will indicate here and there a considerable higher total and in a lew cases a smaller figure. Approximately, however, it may be counted that the value of the products named will for this year amount to \$12,382,-60,000.

PALE AND THIN SHE PITIED THEM

SAYS WOMEN LOOKED SO WEAK,

Looked Like They Were Wearing Themselves Out

She Decided to Quit and Start Preaching

Health to Women

Jemonstrator of Aluminumware Says So Many Women CROWDS FLOCK

400,000 bushels, but with an increase in value of \$145,500,000 this year over last.

Compared with 1917, the corn crop shows a decrease of over 410,000,000 bushels, offset in part by an increase in wheat of 276,000,000 bushels.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES SHOWING
THE FARMERS' GREAT GAINS

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ANTHRACITE SITUATION AS GOVERNMENT SEES IT

Geological Survey's Latest Report Fair-ly Encouraging—The "Fin" Still Contributing to Shortage.

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The United States Geological Survey, in its latest report on the coal situation, estimates the production of bituminous coal in the week ended December 7 at 11,008,000 net tons, an increase compared with the week ending November 30 of 1,312,000 tons, or 13 per cent. However, this was 1,-135,000 tons, or 10 per cent, below the production for the corresponding week of 1917.

of 1917.

The influenza epidemic is still seriously interfering with production in the fields supplying the Atlantic seabeard and Southern States, and it cannot be said to be fully up to require-

The production of anthracite in the week ended December 7 is estimated at 1.807,000 net tons, compared with 1,-113,000 tons the previous week and 1,-778,000 tons in the corresponding week and 1.778,000 tons in the corresponding week of 1917. The total production from April 1 to date is estimated at 68,778,600 net tons, compared with 70,397,000 tons in 1917, a decrease of 1,600,000 tons equivalent to about \$50,0000 tons of domestic size.

domestic sizes.
Reports from the railroads show for the week ended December 7 increased shipments from all districts, compared with the week of November 30. Comared with the corresponding week of 1917, the only districts recording great-

1917, the only districts recording greater shipments were Fairmount, Ohio, Southern West Virginia and Southwestern Virginia.
Bituminous coal shipped to New England for the week ended December 7 is estimated at 328,897 net tons, a decrease of 8.6 per cent compared with the week preceding. Rail shipments, 92,352 net tons, decreased 12.4 per cent, and tidewater shipments, 236,545 net tons, decreased 0.7 per cent. Baltimore was the only harbor to report an increase in shipments. Shipments from more was the only harbor to report an increase in shipments. Shipments from Hampton Roads decreased 14.3 per cent and from New York 4.8 per cent.

Total shipments for the coal year to date are estimated at 20,038,000 net tons, or 0.8 per cent ahead of budget. Rail shipments, amounting to 7,573,311 net tons, are 5.4 per cent ahead of budget, while tidewater shipments, amounting to 12,464,586 net tons, are 1.5 per cent behind budget. Shipments from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore are slightly in excess of budget, but Hampton Roads is 3.3 per cent behind.

Many genuine bargains are offered a the Want Ads to-day. Read them

TO DRUG STORE

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rotall in the past two months. Such a phenomenal sale proves conclusively that Hypo-Cod is not only the very best preventive of influenza and coughs and colds of winter, but is

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stomach biasting, bad tasting stomach and digestion renovator, take a good upbuilding tonic that will put your system into first-class shape again. Avoid these remedies that 'cure' such

prime physical condition to fear such contagion and their strength and nervous force is never low."

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Representative Tells Why
People of South Buy
Twice as Much Stom
ach Medicine as

Suggests Treatment Which Will
Do the Work and Not
Ruin Stomach.

"Why do the people in the South buy twice as much stomach medicine for indigestion, constipation and kidney troubles as in the North?" and the Hypo-Cod demonstrator and the Hypo-Cod

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STOP TAKING IT

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Their whole

ber of Commerce has landed it after strenuous effort.

WEST VIRGINIA NOTES

Chemical Plant at Huntington—Oil and Gas Wells at West Union.

Weich Improvements.

Huntington is soon to have a big upto-date chemical plant. The Chamber of Commerce, has landed it after strenuous effort.

A Bluefield contractor is planning a four-story, twentieth century apartment house at Weich.

The Dixie Cigar Company is build
Ing a large cigar factory is Hunting-liven.

The Kanawha Collieries Company proposes to install at the plant a compiled proposes to install at the pl

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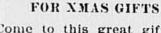
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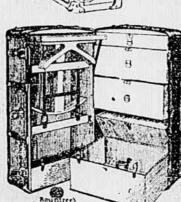
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